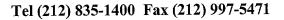


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The present application is a divisional under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of prior application Serial No. 09/632,819, filed August 7, 2000, by Hidekiyo TAKAOKA and Kiyotaka MAEGAWA, entitled LEAD FREE SOLDER AND SOLDERED ARTICLE.

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- 21 Pages of Specification including Abstract and Claims
- 6 Numbered Claims Calculated as 6 Claims for Fee Purposes
- Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application under 37 CFR § 1.63(d). The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- X Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Japanese Application No. 10-16142, filed January 28, 1998, is claimed. The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in said prior application Serial No. 09/632,819, filed August 7, 2000.
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